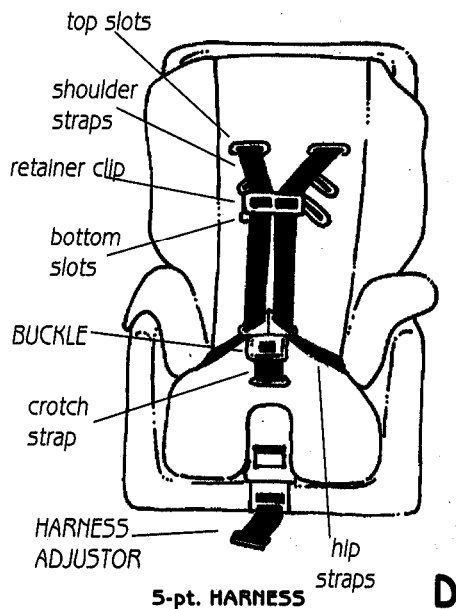


Convertible Seat



This convertible seat has a full harness to hold your child securely.

Using Forward-Facing Child Safety Seats

Some safety seats for use by children over age one and 20 pounds are "convertibles" that also can be used by babies facing the rear. Other models are for use facing forward only. These may have different minimum and maximum weight limits. Check the Instructions for each model.

If your child's seat is a convertible model, two adjustments must be made for use facing forward.

1. Put the seat in the upright position, which gives the best protection for a forward-facing child. The reclined position used for a rear-facing infant does not protect well when used facing forward.
2. The shoulder straps must be moved up to the top set of slots (D). These are reinforced to withstand the force of a crash. If a convertible seat has a middle set of slots, they must not be used in the forward-facing position unless the instructions allow it.

Forward-facing models that are not convertibles also may have several sets of strap slots. You can choose the ones that fit your child best. Move the straps up when your child's shoulders reach the level of the slots.

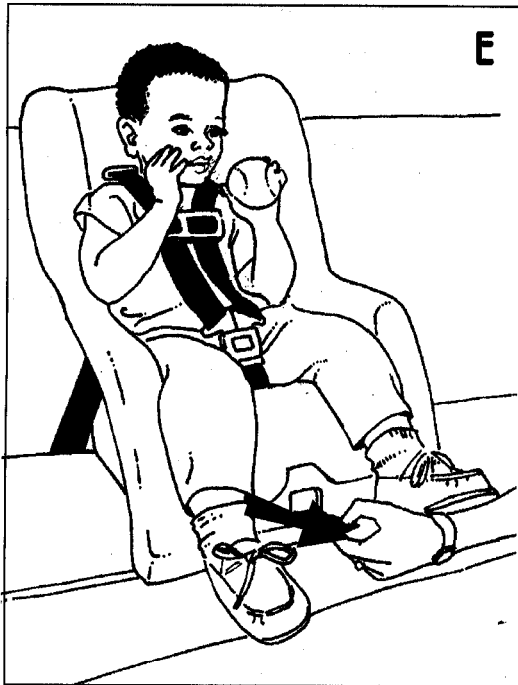
When moving the straps up, be sure to thread them completely through the shell, not just behind the pad. Straps on older seats must go over or around a metal bar on the frame, so check the manufacturer's instructions carefully.

Harness straps are adjusted in different ways. Some tighten automatically to fit the child. Others have a dial to turn on the side or a strap to pull in the front (E). A few have a metal adjustment slide like the one pictured for the infant-only seat (C). The strap must be doubled back over the slide to prevent the harness from coming loose in a crash (C, see page 1).

If there is an **adjustable crotch strap**, keep it as short as possible to hold the hip straps or shield down low.

Put the **shoulder strap retainer clip (chest clip)** at armpit level to hold the straps in place.

The way you install and use a safety seat makes a big difference in a crash! If the harness is loose, your child could be thrown out in a crash.



The harness on this convertible seat is tightened by pulling on the strap between the child's feet.